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Activity, Accomplishments and Issues, 05 – 07 September 2017

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Grants Management

- No activities to report.

Tribal Relations

- Spill Incident Adjacent to Saginaw Chippewa Indian Tribe (SCIT) Isabella Reservation – on September 05, 449 gallons of asphalt emulsion was released during a transfer from an above ground storage tank. Some product washed into storm sewers that connect to the Chippewa River. According to SCIT staff, the incident occurred off Reservation but the spill could contaminate Tribal waters. SCIT is coordinating with the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality, and notified the Region 5 Tribal and International Affairs Office. Staff from TIAO and Superfund Division will be at a previously scheduled meeting with SCIT staff on September 12, 2017 and can follow-up on the issue.

- Site Visits in Indian Country:

Lac du Flambeau Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians – On September 06, met with Dee Allen, Kristen Hanson, Celeste Hockings, and Jason [new water technician] at the Natural Resources Department. Meeting topics included current NPDES permit activity for the LDF Sewage Lagoon, Class I air quality redesignation, open dump clean-up project funded by IHS, pesticide management program needs, household hazardous waste collection program needs, and concerns about state operations on the Reservation.

Menominee Nation – On September 06, met with Jeremy Pyatskowit and Josh Pyatskowit at the Natural Resource Office in Keshena, Wisconsin. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss updating the EPA-Tribal Environmental Plan for the period of April 2018 – March 2022.

Projected EPA activities were reviewed, as well as the identified federally-regulated facilities on the Reservation. The next step will be for the Tribe to develop its environmental program priorities for the time period and provide those to EPA for media Divisions to determine potential support actions.

- Responded to tribal and EPA requests for information/support/involvement:

- B. Schrader (LVD) – provided information on emergency response assistance related to Hurricane Harvey
- D. Horak (WD) – provided information on next MNTEC meeting

Planning

- R5TOC fall 2017 meeting – conference call on September 07 with D. Cox and J. Mears to discuss options for holding the next R5TOC meeting

Routine Conference and Meetings

- TIAO Staff Meeting

Administration (purchases, training, EPA requirements, travel plans, lengthy leave plans, etc.)

- No activities to report